

It is Sunday the 17th February 2008 and here is ANARTS with our weekly RTTY broadcast bringing you - cast 1482.

Views expressed in this news bulletin are not necessarily those of the Broadcast Officer, the Relay Officers, or of the Society.

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Ducie Island Logs Now Online: The DXpedition to Ducie Island, VP6DX, is well underway and the DXpedition crew has now posted its logs online <<http://ducie2008.d11mgb.com/online/log/index.php>>. Have you worked VP6DX yet? Check and make sure you are listed in their log. There are 21 band slots in three modes (CW, Phone and RTTY) that can be worked. Their Web page also lets you know when the optimum times for working VP6DX are. Depending on weather and other considerations, VP6DX will go off the air on or around February 27. For more information, please see the VP6DX information page <<http://ducie2008.d11mgb.com/index.php>>.

from the ARRL Letter 15th February

IPS Weekly Solar and Geophysical Report for 8th to 14th February, issued on 15th February by the IPS Radio and Space Services.

SUMMARY

Date	08	09	10	11	12	13	14
10cm flux	71	72	73	72	72	71	71
AFr index	3	2	13	16	6	10 (8 estimated)	
Aaus index	6	5	18	13	10	11 (9 estimated)	
T index	0	4	15	-1	-2	3	0

Solar flare activity was very low all week.

Geomagnetic activity observed for the Australian region was quiet on 8th and 9th; quiet to active on 10th; mostly quiet to unsettled with isolated active periods on 11th and 12th; mostly quiet to unsettled on 14th; and quiet to unsettled on 15th.

Southern Australian Ionospheric F2 critical frequencies were near predicted on 8th and 9th; enhanced 15 per cent to 15 per cent depressed on 10th; mostly near predicted on 11th and 13th; near predicted with depressions to 30 per cent on 12th and 14th.

Forecast for 15th to 21st February.

Solar activity should be low.

Geomagnetic activity should see quiet to unsettled conditions.

Frequencies should be near predicted monthly values. Occasional depressions to 30 per cent are possible at all latitudes on the 15th.

F region communications during the week may be affected at times due to sporadic E.

courtesy of the IPS Radio and Space Services

summary by Pat VK2JPA ANARTS Broadcast Officer

RTDX0214 RTTY DX

VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES FOR WEEK ENDING 14 FEBRUARY 2008 (BID RTDX0214)

This week our information came from AA5AU, GU0SUP, I5FLN, and the Central Europe clusternode DB0SPC. Thank you all.

Friday 08

0006-10140 YN2/EW1AR

0010--7035 KG4SS

0016--7041 PR7AR

0023--7042 HI3TEJ

0036--7036 CN8KD

0050-14089 XE1L

0055--7037 WP4U

0102--7040 UK8AA

0128--7058 HC1VB

0300-14080 WP4U

0303--7040 YN2/EW1AR

0317--7076 P49X

0417--7036 4K9W
0511--7040 XE3RBA
0642-14088 VR2PX
0830-18105 HZ1IK
1042-18106 UK9AA
1150--7026 JA6WFM/HCS
1151--7035 UN7PBY
1159-14084 YI10M
1207-14080 HS0EHF
1211-14085 EW8CY
1231-14089 E7/YT2ED
1238--7035 UK9AA
1306-14087 UN1L
1318-14085 VU2NKS
1338-14091 P40R
1424-14089 XE1L
1426-14080 V31TB
1539-14090 C02HQ
1601-14083 KP4ED
1607-14088 KG4SS
1609-21084 WP4U
1642-14089 ZS6DXB
1826-14080 WP4U
1851-14082 HI3TEJ
2052-14082 YN2S
2118--7033 4S7BRG
2121--7032 DS3HWS
2158-18103 VK9NS
2252-14084 C08LY
2320-14084 FJ5DX
2323-14089 0A4AHW
2329--7043 HI3TEJ
2338-14081 XE1GRR
2347--7037 EK7DX
2354--7048 4M5RY
Saturday 09
WPX RTTY CONTEST
1708-21075 4U1UN QSL HB9B0U
1858-14063 4U1UN
2119-14063 4U1UN
Sunday 10
WPX RTTY CONTEST
0314--7028 TI9KK
1201--7043 TI9KK
1536-14063 4U1UN
1947-14063 4U1UN
Monday 11
0000-14093 HI3T
0007--7030 YN2S
0030-10135 YN2S
1138-18104 E20WXA
1213-14083 CN8IG
1213-14087 VR10XMT
1330-14084 GI0DVU
1412-14089 HZ1PS
1557-14082 KG4SS
1621-14081 TI9KK
1628-14082 KG4SS
1831-10120 Z29KM
1904-14081 TI9KK
1933-18071 ZF2XD
1941-14087 ZF2XD
1951-10140 Z29KM

2046--7033 Z29KM
2244-10140 TI9KK
2348--7033 KG4SS
Tuesday 12
0003--7034 KG4SS
0913-14081 JT1DN
1052-14080 TI9KK
1221-14087 E20WXA
1350-18104 VQ9LA
1356-14089 V31UZ
1507-14082 IS0YEK
1618-10140 TI9KK
1735-21081 TI9KK
1822 14081 TI9KK
1826-10138 JW7QI
1845-10141 Z29KM
2051-10140 TI9KK
2350--7041 C08LY
2353-10140 FJ5DX
Wednesday 13
0007--7041 C08LY
0046--7093 TI9KK
0059-10140 TI9KK
0211--7096 VP6DX
0214-10135 FJ5DX
0231-14089 VP6DX
0413-10140 TI9KK
0712-10140 TI9KK
0732-14093 HL5YI
0804-10140 EK6TA
0840-14089 VP6DX
1014-18102 E20WXA
1108-14086 EX2M
1219--7039 TI9KK
1322-14082 V31UZ
1335--7095 VP6DX
1404-14089 VP6DX
1541-14086 E20WXA
1612-18103 CN8KD
1757-14089 FJ5DX
1823-10140 JW7QI
1844-14085 V31UZ
1853-14090 YV4GMG
1919-10141 Z29KM
1924-14089 VP6DX
1925-18103 FO/KH0PR
2222--7038 J69DS
2353-14089 VP6DX
Thursday 14
0005-14089 VP6DX
0114--7039 TI9KK
0220-14089 VP6DX
0229-10139 VP6DX
0249--7035 V31UZ
0533--7039 TI9KK
0855-10140 TI9KK
0903-14081 JT1DN
0913-10138 VP6DX
0937-10135 JW7QI
1120-14086 C56JC
1223-18106 E20WXA
1253--7040 TI9KK
1308-14085 VR10XMT

1349-18104 FM5AA
1406-14078 HZ1PS
1420-18101 V31UZ
1442-14084 E20WXA
1500-14090 VP6DX
1618-18102 YV4GMG
1952-18103 FO/KH0PR
2031-10141 Z29KM
2041-18102 VK9NS
2124-14089 VP6DX
2202-14091 9L1BTB

Notes of Interest

FJ - ST.BARTHELEMY: SP3IPB, SQ3WN, SP6IXF and SP7VC plan to operate on 40m - 10m RTTY, CW and SSB as FL/homecall February 17-26.
QSL via home call.

XU - CAMBODIA: Look for XU7XR0 aka 9M6XR0, John on CW, SSB and digital modes

February 20-26. QSL via M5AAV.

The VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES are distributed every week via the Winlink network, and are also available on the Internet at URL <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/vk2sg-rtty>.

For next week's bulletin, send your bandpass and notes of interest to Don, AA5AU, e-mail: aa5au@bellsouth.net
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The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 845 - excerpts

4U1U, UNITED NATIONS HQ

Look for operators Johnny/LA5IIA, George/N2GA and Tony/N2UN to be active as 4U1UN during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via HB9BOU. ADDED NOTE: Johnny/LA5IIA was active this past weekend in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. Also QSL via HB9BOU.

5Z4, KENYA

Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine at Diani Beach at the coastline of Kenya. He will be active as 5Z4HW from February 27th to March 11th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV. Operations will be limited (holiday style). He will use an IC-735 and Linear TY900. Antennas will be a R7 vertical and 18m Tower for 160/80m. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the DARC Bureau. Visit his Web page at:

<http://www.DL7DF.com>

AAW

The Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) is quickly approaching (February 18-24th). There are several special event stations already on the air along with special "IPY" callsigns and other special world-wide callsigns to celebrate the 2008 Antarctic event and the International Polar Year "IPY". On the WAP Web site you can get the whole list of participants to the 5th Edition of AAW by clicking on the appropriate window marked "Antarctic Activity Week", at:

<http://www.waponline.it>

Also remember, working the many WAP stations qualifies for several different kind of awards. For details check "WAP Awards" banner on the left side of the WAP home page.

CN, MOROCCO

Hartwig, DL7BC, will be active as CN2BC during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL7BC.

DXCC NEWS

* NEW ENTITY ABOUT TO HAPPEN - According to the "Associated Press" on Friday, February 8th, a Serbian minister for Kosovo stated that his government has received information that the Province's Albanian leadership will declare independence on February 17th. For details, go to:

http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20080208/ap_on_re_eu/serbia_kosovo_independence

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY (DXCC Newest Entity!)

Patrick, F6CMH, will be active from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) as FJ/F6CMH, March 13-22nd. Activity will be mainly 40/20 meters SSB. QSL via F6CMH.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA

Yoshi, JJ8DEN, who was recently active from Pitcairn Island, is now heading for Oeno, then Gambier Island (OC-063). He plans to be active from the Gambier as FO/KH0PR. However, his operations will be limited because he will only have access to solar power. QSL via JJ8DEN, direct to: Yoshitake Izumi, 7 Minami-24 Nishi-1 Obihiro-city, Hokkaido 080-0011 JAPAN. Please send a SASE with 2 USDs or 1 IRC. Yoshi requests that the envelope be 162mm X 114mm or more. If a small envelope is sent, he will return the QSL card by surface mail (ship mail).

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON

Operators Eric/KV1J and his son Matthew/W1MAT, will be active from Miquelon (NA-32, DIF0 FP-002, Grid GN17) as FP/KV1J and FP/W1MAT from July 9-14th. Activity will be on all bands 80-6 meters, SSB, CW and RTTY, using only 100 watts into verticals and a TW2010. During the IARU Contest, look for FP/KV1J (running low power) and FP/W1MAT (running QRP) from Zone 9. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details and up-to-date info, visit their Web page at:

<http://www.kv1j.com/fp/>

INTERESTING WEB SITES OF THE WEEK

Jaime, EA4TV, provides an interesting look at a different DX calendar for DXers. Take a look at:

<http://http://dxcal.com>

Also, visit the WOTA (Women On The Air) Web page. The Web site, put together by a SWL (FE11DX) Steven has interesting pictures and bio's of active YLs around the globe. Take a look at:

<http://wota2008.blogspot.com>

GM7, SCOTLAND

Operators Keith/GM4YXI and Chris/GM3W0J will be active as GM7V during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via M0CMK.

I04, ITALY

Operators Andrea/IK4VET, Roberto/IK4XCL, Alessio/IZ4EFN and possibly others will be active as I04T during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via IZ4JMA direct.

JD, MINAMI TORISHIMA (OC-073)

Masa, JA6GXK, is now active as JD1BMM until February 19th. Activity will be limited to his spare time, but he will concentrate on North America and Europe on the low bands. Aki, JH2RMU, reports to look for Masa on 160m. He will TX on 1822 and RX 1827 for USA at 1200z, and for EU at 2030z. This past week he was on 40/20/15 meters SSB and 15 meters RTTY.

JX, JAN MAYEN (EU-022)

Svein, LA9JKA, will be active as JX9JKA from March 27th through October 8th. He plans to operate SSB and the digital modes on 160-6 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

Operators John/K3CT and John/K3TEJ as KP2/K3CT and KP2/K3TEJ, respectively, will be active between February 10-20th. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-2 entry using the callsign KP2M. Outside of the contest, activity will have an emphasis on 160m and 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL KP2M via AI4U. QSL their KP2/homecall to their home addresses.

LX, LUXEMBURG

Operators Ulrich/DJ9IE, Carsten/DL1EFD, Heinrich/DL20BF and possibly others will be active as LX7I during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-2 or Multi-Single entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at:

<http://www.lx2a.com>

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN

Bil/W8EB and his wife Dorothy/W8DVC will be here between February 24th and March 23rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as PJ7/W8EB and possibly PJ7/W8DVC. Operations will be limited because he is on holiday. Bil will operate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 1-2nd) as PJ7B, and as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. This will be Bil's 13th consecutive ARRL DX SSB Contest participation from St. Maarten. Also look for him to be in any RTTY contests. All QSL requests go to W8EB. Visit their PJ7B Web site at:

<http://www.qsl.net/pj7b/>

T32, EASTERN KIRIBATI (Update)

Operators Bill/N70U and Bob/W7YAO will be active from Christmas Island (OC-024)

as T320U and T32YA, respectively, February 12-26th. The duo will be a Multi-Single entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) using the callsign T320U. Outside of the contest they will be active mostly on 160-10 meters, on CW, but some SSB and RTTY, using only 100w and verticals antennas. QSL via their home callsigns.

TI2, COSTA RICA

Jean-Pierre, F6FQX, will be active as TI2/F6FQX between now and February 29th. Suggested frequencies are 10123 and 14023 kHz between 1330-1400z on most days. QSL via F6FQX.

TM6, FRANCE

Members of the Radio-Club Electrans (CSAM) will be active from their F6KHM club station as TM6M during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via F4DXW. Operators mentioned are: F1AKK, F5MUX, F5TTU and F8DBF.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND

Last week we reported that Jim Smith, VK9NS, now has a couple of aerials set up for 6 meters. Since then, we have received a couple of QSNs. Jim was heard working VK/ZL on 6m SSB, last Saturday, February 2nd around 0100z and again on Monday, February 4th around 0035z on SSB.

VP6, DUCIE ISLAND (Update)

By the time you read this, the VP6DX operation should be active. The VP6DX team was expected to arrive a day early on the island (Friday, February 8th) and should be done with their setup on February 10th. For more details on donating funds and updates, visit the VP6DX Web page at:

<http://www.vp6dx.com>

XU, CAMBODIA

John, 9M6XR0, will be active as XU7XR0 from February 20-26th. QTH will be Sihanouk Ville (Kompong Som). Activity will be CW, SSB and Digi modes. John hopes to be on Top Band SSB during the CQWW 160m DX Contest. QSL is only via M5AAV, either direct or by the bureau.

YI, IRAQ (Update)

Tom, N4NW, informs OPDX that the Stafford DX Association's efforts to procure an amplifier for YI9PT are moving along. However, donations have reached only 65% of their goal of the needed 1,300.00 USDs. Please support this operation by donating any amount you can now. Radar is now active and is being worked in Europe with 100 watts and a dipole. With the planned amplifier, his signal will be improved significantly on the lower bands outside Europe. Please visit the following Web page for complete information on how to help support this operation at:

<http://www.stafford-dx-association.org/donate.html>

Radar, K2PT, (not MASH fame, but a SDXA member) a Marine in Baghdad, is now on the air as YI9PT. During the past week he was on 80/20/17/10 meters. All QSL requests go to N4XP. Complete information may be found on the SDXA Web site at: <http://www.stafford-dx-association.org>

Additional information, updates, log check and sponsor information will be provided on the Web site and updated as the operating conditions change.

The Society can be contacted in the following ways: To Pat VK2JPA via patleeper at optusnet.com.au, or you can drop a line to PO Box 93 Toongabbie NSW 2146.

73's from Pat VK2JPA broadcast Officer.